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RESTRUCTURE OF AUTONOMOUS COMMITTEES SOCIETIES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government are contemplating to restructure the autonomous committees and societies under their jurisdiction;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the restructuring process is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SU THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a) and (b): There were in all 13 societies under the Department of Information Technology (DIT). An exercise for restructuring of the societies was taken up and initially a total No. of 07 societies were merged/hived off to have a total of 06 societies which are as under:

1. Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC). Theerstwhile Electronics Research & Development Centre of India (ER&DCI)and National Centre for Software Technology (NCST)alongwith Mohali Centre of Centre for Electronics Design and Technology of India (CEDTI) have been merged with C-DAC.

2. Department of Electronics Accredited Course on Computer (DOEACC)Regional Computer Centre (RCC), Kolkata, Regional Computer Centre (RCC), Chandigarhand Centre for Electronics Design and Technology of India (CEDTI), except its MohaliCentre have been merged with DOEACC Society.

3. Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering and Research (SAMEER).

4. Centre for Material for Electronics Technology (C-MET).

5. ERNET India.

6. Software Technology Park of India (STPI).

The Centre for Liquid Crystal Research (CLCR) standstransferred to the Ministry of Science and Technology, Department of Science and Technology (DST).

The Society for Electronics Test Engineering (SETE) stands merged with STQC Directorate of DIT.

It is expected that as a result of the reorganisation there will be more focussed approach of the societies towards their declared goals and objectives. It is also felt that the reorganisation would help the societies in allowing their vision and mission to be aligned in tune with that of the department under the new emphasis on IT. The reorganisation is also expected to help in achieving the broad objectives of employment generation, creation of wealth, ITled economic growth, societal equivalence, harnessing economies of scale etc.

(c): The restructuring process is an ongoing process which will continue as per the requirements of the time.